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AROUND THE CITY

CLOSING OF THE SCHOOLS—BENEFICIAL SESSIONS THE RESULTS

THE SCHOOL BOARD WILL "MIX"

Graduation With Honors—The Program an Interesting one—Visitors to the City A Negro Manufacturer,—Sensational Affairs in High Life.

St. Louis, Mo., Special.

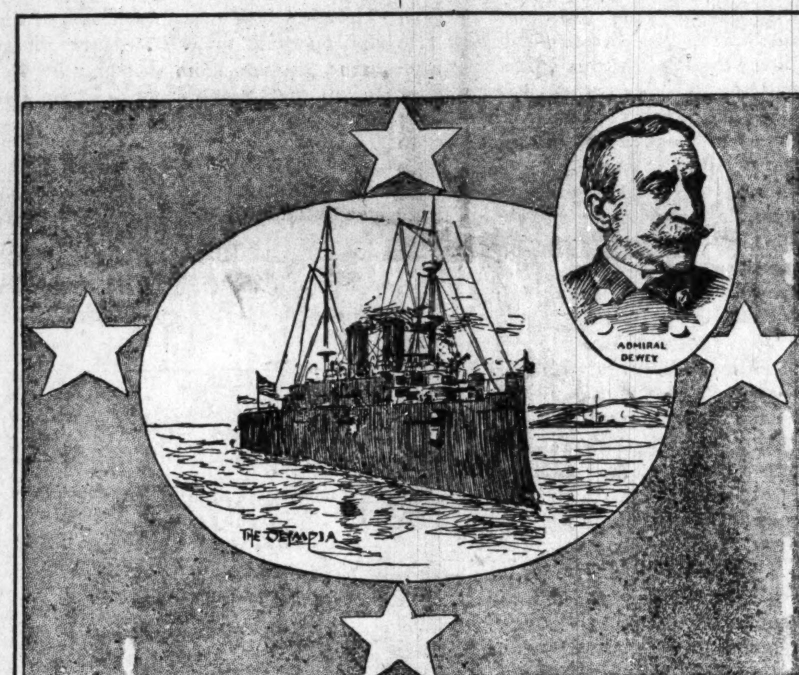
The Freeman on sale at 1402 Chestnut street, room 5, W. C. Henderson, correspondent and agent.

The colored schools of this city closed their sessions last week. The Sumner High-school held its graduating exercises at Music Hall, Exposition building, Monday 19th at 8 o'clock p. m. The following were the graduates: Nina T. Bastwick, Anna E. Bridgwater, Annie E. Brockway, Claressa B Brown, Estella E. Buckner, Alice B. Clanton, Minnie H. Crawford, Nannie E. Dickson, Harriet E. Gregg, Annetta L. Harris, Ira M. Haskell, Hattie A. Hubbard, Mary Hutt, Rosa A. Kruse, Leonie L. Moman, Mamie M. Morrell, Laura E. Peters, Ida V. Sidney, Annie M. Taylor, Lucy G. Terry, Julia D. Thomas, Nannie L. Turpin, Marion C. Vashon, Edward H. G. Hayes, Samuel M. Hillard, Edward W. Levy, Edward A. Miller, Jr., and George W. Wood. Normal Graduates—Gertrude M. Allen, Blanche M. Dore, Sallie C. Hickney, Lillie B Moore, Araminta M. Parker, Mary A. Richardson, Mabel O. Story, Maud T. Watkins, Annie Voorhies. "The Romance of the Seas"—Hattie Hubbard; Essay—"Oliver Goldsmith," Annetta L. Harris; Oration—"Our Friends in Power." Edward A. Miller, Jr.; Essay—'Longfellow's Acadia," Rosa A. Kruse; Essay—"Ben Adhem," Minnie H. Crawford; Essay—"Ne Obliv is camar," Nannie L. Turpin; Essay—"Birds in Poetry and Fiction," Marion C. Vashon; Essay—"Awaiting the Verdict," Alice B. Clanton; Oration—"The Puritian in Civilization," Edward H. G. Hayes; Essay—"Bells," Anna E. Bridgwater; Oration—"The Abuse of History," Edward W. Levy. The audience as usual presented one unbroken garden of sweet and beautiful flowers in varigated colors. The class motto: "Amictia." The work of all the schools this past year has been quite praiseworthy. The Buckner Alabama Blossom Jubilee Singers, composed of eight members, will leave soon for a few months engagement in Mattoon, Ill. W. H. Smith, a very prosperous business gentleman of Guthrie, Ok., was the guest of Capt. C. H. Tandy and family 2614 E. Steward street, the past week. Mrs. Dr. Francis. wife of the eminent Washington, D. C., physician and founder of the Francis Private Sanitarian has been for a few days the esteemed guest of Dr. Curtis and family 2112 Pine street, also Prof. and Mrs. A. D. Langston and family 3540 S. Jefferson avenue. Mr. Joshua C. Watson, president of the Wyoming Smelting Refining, Mining and Investment Company of Cheyenne, Wyo., has upon a business trip, been in the city the past week. It is said that this company is chartered under the state laws of Wyoming with $200,000 capital, mining gold, silver, nickle, copper and coal in paying quantities. They are negotiating for the purchase of a 65-mile abandoned mine railroad line which has been in actual operation, previous to the great Union Pacific strike. This deal includes 160 acres of coal land This deal it is said will make the Negroe operators not only of a paying mine, but of a railroad extending from Pittsburgh, Kas., into points in Oklahoma. The lease will extend 50 years with sufficient amount of rolling stock. The Elliott-Wesley M. E. church, has been recently reorganized under the new name of Centennial M. E. church. This congregation with Rev. J. Will Jackson, D. D., at its head will begin work at once on a $40,000 stone and brick church Twenty-seventh and Elliott avenues. Prof. Edward W. Newsome, superintendent Sunday-school is making extensive preparations for children's day, the 25th inst. Mr. Molton of Plattsburg, Mo., theological student at the Macon City, Mo., Baptist college, was a guest of William H. Mansifee, M. D., 9 S. Twenty-third street the last week. Mrs. S. H. Smith, Butte City, Mont., was the guest of Mrs. L. N. Wilson and family 2632 Lucast avenue, last week. Miss Nancy Reggs, whose home was in Louisiana, Mo , aged 45 years came to the city three months ago to be operated upon for a cancer in the People's Auxiliary hospital, under Dr. Auther. She died Thursday last at the hospital weighing 526 pounds. The remains were shipped by Banks & Tidwell, the new colored undertakers' firm, Thursday to her former home. Her case was incurable from the first. The Oriental shaving parlor, under the Oriental club 1620 Chestnut street, has recently changed hands from Mr. J. B. Owens to Mr. P. A. Ramsey. Mr. Ramsey was formerly at Central shop Seventeenth and Market. He has put in the latest porcleam bath tubs and three fine chairs, presided over by himself and Messrs. Neal Boyd and Joseph Steel. Mr. Henry Steward, has proven himself a natural born mechanic. About five years ago he embarked into the bicycle business, in company with Mrs. Tiny Cravens, and his business of sales and repairing grew 'till he had among his regular customers the richest sporting white young men and women in the city. Since he has enlargened his business and taken Mr. William Smith into the firm, and, at present he is making by his own black hands, "The Steward Bicycle" which is finding a rapid demand upon the market among both white and colored. It is a fine, fast grade of whee and Mr. Steward not being an educated man, nor having ever been trained in a bicycle manufactory, it is a praiseworthy note for the race. Mr. Steward is not much over 35 years of age. He is an all around athlete and an ex-champion rider of Missouri. Lincoln Institute, Jefferson City, is about to have a law department attached to its course of studies with Lawyer Payne of Kansas City, Mo., dean. Mr. O. M. Wood of Ohio, wife of Prof. O. M. Wood, principal L'Overture school, who has made petition to the circuit court for a bill of divorcement from his wife, was in the city last week to make answer to the petition. She was accompanied by her brother and raises sensation by making an amended answer denying the allegations and makes some startling and sensational charges in return against the professor, implicating prominent teachers. The Globe-Democrat published at length the charges and it is said that the school board is now seriously considering the points in question.

Roanoke News.

Roanoke, Va., Special.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Counts died and was buried on the 9th inst. He was a bright little fellow of nearly eighteen months and the fond parents have the smypathy of the entire community. Mr. Robert Henderson was indisposed last week but under the careful nursing of Mrs. Patterson, our generous boarding mistress, he is able to be back to his barber shop on Salem Ave. A movement is on foot to organize a colored Y. M. C. A. in this city. Such an enterprise should meet the approval of all the better class as it would do much toward raising our character to a higher standard. Cards are out announcing the wedding of Mr. Thos. Gregory and Miss Mamie Meadows which will take place on the 20th inst. They are society people, the bride to be is a member of High St. Baptist church choir. The commencement exercises of the Third Ward Public School were held in the High St. Baptist church Monday evening June 12th and a more intelligent audience never before assembled in Roanoke. The class consisted of five young ladies and the manner in which they acquitted themselves reflect much credit to Prof. Dungee and his able assistants Miss Willie Parker was Salutatorian the subject being, "Healthy Homes." "Thousand years of History" was the topic of Miss Miranda Brown and it was a master piece of thought. The other members of the class were Miss Bessie Oliver, Miss Lucy Daniel and Miss Deborah Standfield all of whom read excellent essays. Prof. Dungee made a few remarks showing how parents could assist in school work and was warmly applauded throughout his discourse, Rev. Jones and Rev. L. L. Downing presented the prizes with very appropriate speeches. The First prize went to Miss Miranda Brown and the second to Miss Willie Parker. About a year ago, Rev. Jackly Strange came here from Alexandria, Va., where he owns a comforable home, to take charge of Mt. Zion A. M. E. church and to pay off a debt of $2000 caused by the church being damaged during a storm. Supported by a loyal membership, he has met with great success and hopes to lift the debt soon. He has just returned from Alexandria where he married his daughter to Mr. Diggs, a graduate of Howard University.



ADMIRAL DEWEY, HIS FLAG AND THE OLYMPIA.

It will be a great day for America when the Olympia sails into New York harbor flying the four-starred blue flag and bearing Admiral George Dewey, the hero of Manila. The glory will not be New York's alone, for Dewey belongs to us all, and the whole country will throw up its hat and shout for the doughty admiral. The Olympia will probably arrive on some day between the fifteenth of July and the first of August.

Wedding Bells.

Dayton, O., Special.

All parties desiring items in The Freeman should leave items at Beard's confectionary 223 W. 5. Miss Emma Taylor was married to Mr. Randolf Tams at the residence of Mrs. Moore Wednesday evening June 14. Miss Addie A. Auslin and Mr. Mart Tate were married June 7 in N. Y. at the home of the bride. The happy couple have come to this city which place they will make their home. Their wedding was a pretty one and the couple received many presents. Mrs. Ginney of Hartshorn St., died very suddenly Sunday morning. Mr. John Smith was put on the police force recently his friends wish him much success. Mr. Fosten on Baxter St., is making quite a success with his grocery. Beards ice cream parlor is proving to be quiet a success.

News in General.

Huntington, W. Va., Special.

During the setting of the State Convention the following officers were elected for the ensueing year. Pres. Dr. C. H. Payne First Vice, Rev. T. J. Brandon, Second Vice, Rev. N. Barnett, Sec'y., Prof. H. B. Rice; Treasurer, Rev. D. Stratton; Cor., Sec'y, J. J. Turner; Statistical Sec'y, Rev. R. H. McCoy. The next session will be held at Elkhorn, W. Va. Miss C. Y. Anderson left for Powellton on the 10th. Prof. J. W. Scott will spend the summer in the cool breezes of the mountainous region of Raleigh Co. Miss Willie James, one of our popular young ladies and musicians has been called to Clifton Forge, Va., to teach a class. Quite a nice picnic was given by the elite of the city at Cliffside Park, last Thursday. It was indeed a day of outing and enjoyment. Cliffside is located about thirteen miles from here and is a delightful resort. All our hotels now have colored cooks and waiters. Mr. Henry Carter has recently been made head Cook at the Florentine. Rev. Sutton E. Griggs, author of "Imperium in Imperio," is in our city in the interest of his production. Subscribe for the Freeman and keep posted.

News of Interest.

Henderson, Ky., Special.

The annual Thanksgiving services of the Knights of Tabor lodge were held June 18, at the A. M. E. church. Lawyer McMechin of Evansville, spent Sunday in the city. Mrs. Virgia Taylor has returned from a brief visit to friends in Evansville. Misses Eldora Greene and Jessie Harris of Corydon were in the city June 18. The Henderson cornet band gave quite an enjoyable concert at Held's Park on the 12th. Misses Virgie Alves, Sadie Gaines, Nellie Mae Brown and Laura Richmond attended the Commencement exercises of Clark High-school in Evansville. June 15. Mrs. Margaret Jordan has returned from Corydon. Deaths—Alonzo Bell, Jr., and the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Alexander. Mrs. Rosa Starling has returned from Lexington. Mesdames E. Bell, M. Brown, V. Taylor, N. Sprow and R. Bell spent Sunday in Corydon.

Newsy Sparklings

Ottumwa, Ia., Special.

Mrs. Emma D. Gardner and little daughter, Margarette, of Peoria, Ill., arrived in the city last evening to spend a few weeks the guests of her father, Mr. Charles Owens. The Ladies' Court met in this city Saturday, June 11, for the purpose of installing officers. Mrs. Young of Keokuk, Ia., is in the city visiting friends. Rev. Booker Fox, a venerable colored man is rapidly sinking at his home on West Main street. Mr. Fox has been alarmingly ill for sometime. Mrs. Z. Dodd was appointed delegate to attend the convention of the Ladies' Court held at Cedar Rapids, Ia., last week. A number of Ottumwa people will go to Burlington on the excursion this week. Thomas Hinkel and John Blandy gave a calico ball at the Turner Hall last Friday evening. Everybody thoroughly enjoyed themselves. The affair was a success both financially and socially.

Shelbyville Items.

Shelbyville, Ind., Special.

Miss Bertha Reed will go to Muncie to stay during the summer. Children's Day exercises were held at the Second M. E. church Sunday. A suitable program was rendered and a large crowd was present. Ben Yates, of Franklin, spent Sunday in this city. Prof. R. A. Roberts was in Indianapolis last week. Williams Hill is very sick at present. Miss Katie Gooden has recovered from a short spell of sickness. Miss Smith, of Indianapolis, spent Sunday in this city the guest of Misses Laura and Bertha Reed. Rev. Clark preached at the Second Baptist church Sunday. The U. B. F. lodge had their annual sermon preached at the M. E. church Sunday. Lodges from other cities were well represented, and the parade was headed by the Colored Band of this city. The band also furnished music for the Odd Fellows at Franklin. Miss Tena Johnson will leave about the 20th of this month for Vera, Ind., she will be the guest of Mrs. Talivers.

News Items.

Hillsboro, Texas Special.

Hillsboro is to have a flour mill soon. It is to be in operation by July, 1. The Oil Mill is replacing its old machinery for new. This plant is giving a great many of Hillsboro laborers work. Shipperes Compress company are receiving lumber by the car loads and getting ready for repair. The public school closes in a few weeks. Rev. Dr. J. R. Carns preaches the Masonic sermon on the fourth Sunday in this month. A grand time is expected by the Masons of Hillsboro. They expect a large number to be out on that day. There are programs circulated in the city that the people here and in the country are going to celebrate the 19th of June A. D. 1899. The Freeman is getting interesting in our city again. It has been read here, before. Take The Freeman from W. W. Oliver at 226 E. McDonald st. Get a copy, 5c. The citizens of our city got a rush on them the last fall, in building and repairing their houses and they will not quit it. Subscribe for The Freeman.

In and about the City.

Vicksburg, Miss., Special.

The Sansousas Pleasure club showed up in excellent style at the St. Mary's picnic the 7 at Newman's grove. They set up a dinner that will long be remembered. Thos. O. Buckner, the president did not arrive until the 1:30 train but he was received with great ovation and escorted to the grounds by the members of the club. The day was a pleasant one. The Dorsey Pickanniny Minstrels opened the season Monday night June 19 at Bethel theatre. The "Hot" swell club entertained their guests well at the St. Mary's picnic. Harry S. Smith is president while Edie Sterling is secretary. Geo. Williams is the worthy treasurer. The picnic party returned to their homes at an early hour where the J. W. Jones brass band welcomed them and gave a band concert at the State Golden Rule dance hall. The Tommy Rot Good Time club entertained C. Jakes Scotte at Brooke's shop. Messrs. Geo. Rice, R. Henry Brooke, Jas. H. Bias, Lee Underguff gave toasts and the funny sayings of Charles Canington kept the guests in a jolly humor. Mr. Scotte left for Chicago at which place he will join Mahara's Mammoth Minstrels. Miss Sarah Marshall of Jackson, Miss., is here visiting. It is announced that Miss R. Evelyn Tyree will be wed to Mr. H. L. Shipp the 29. Miss Tyree is a popular young lady and admired while Mr. Shipp is one of Vicksburg's popular business men. The Freeman wishes them success.

"How the Day was Won."

This is one of the most celebrated pictures ever issued. It shows the valor of the Negro soldier on the field of battle. Who has not heard of the celebrated Tenth Cavalry? And who has not heard of San Juan Hill? The home of every intelligent Negro should be honored with one of these handsome pictures. See advertisement.

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LATEST HAPPENINGS

A LARGE STEAMBOAT EXCURSION TO DOVER, AN ENJOYARLE AFFAIR.

PERSONAL AND SOCIAL ITEMS

Commencement Exercises a Grand Spectacle—Prize Winners—The Laborers Outing. Prominent Among the Guests.

Clarksville, Tenn., Special.

The Clarksville Brass Band carried their grand steamboat excursion to Dover Tuesday June 13th. The steamer left the wharf at 9:10 a. m., for New Providence loaded with excursionists. The party arrived in Dover at 1:45 p. m. Everybody on board enjoyed themselves and say it was the greatest pleasure trip of the season. The Baptist Sunday School held their annual conference Friday June 16 at St. Bethlehem. It was a sudden summon of different ministers to settle some difficult questions. Mr. Josh Young who left for St. Louis, Mo. a short time ago is reported ill. Mrs. W addell who served refreshments on boat to Dover reports fine success. Miss Crouch and Co. have opened up a fine ice cream parlor on S. 3rd St. They have a fine soda fountain in connection. Owing to the many oppositions at the white soda fountains, this is a long felt want. Albert Brockman left for Cincinnati, O., recently where he has secured employment. Mrs. Bibb is very ill at her home in the East end. Rev. W. H. C. Stokes postponed his Sunday School excursion from June 14th and 20th to the 22nd., owing to the low water it was very difficult for Rev. Stokes to carry his excursion to Ashland city. Messrs. Firse and Shelton and Mr. Williams Buck have joined hands and are operating their palace shops in one. Misses Annie Edwards, Flora, and Magdalene Caroway, Mr. Sandy Randolph and wife and many other ladies and gentlemen went to Dover June 13th on board the excursion boat. Miss Daisy Candle won first prize in contest for the gold ring and Misses Beulah Broaddus and Ida Gill the second and third prize. Miss Daisy Candle sold $101.05 worth of tickets. Miss Flora Caroway resigned from the race. "Thirty Years of Freedom" given at Elder's Opera House June 13th was a grand success. The excursion party arrived in time to attend the performance. The Commencement Exercises given at Fifth Ward Church recently was an enjoyable affair. L. W. Sefton and A. M. Townsend left on a northern tour recently. Mr. Ramsey Suggs arrived safely in Chicago. Miss Mary Boyd is visiting friends in Nashville, Tenn. The Clarksville Brass Band are so enthused and encouraged over their grand boat excursion on June 13th that they are thinking of carrying another one on or about the middle of July to some cool grove and spend the day. They will make this the grand laborer's outing picnic and pleasure day. A new arrival—a little girl at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Johnson. June 10th in Allensville, Ky., Mrs. J. P. Steele and Mrs. J. R. Rogers were taken suddenly ill on boat to Dover June 13th. Mr. Jessie Firse, formerly a mail carrier of this city left recently for parts unknown.

Save Our Boys.

While we are not giving too much attention to our girls, we are almost entirely neglecting our boys. They are not in our schools and colleges. They form only a very small part of our churches and Sunday Schools. Where are they? Are they at work producing something useful? We must think about our boys more. We must do more with them and for them. We need a strong manhood to support a strong womanhood. Parents, teachers ministers must wake up and save our boys now, or our men must sink into ignorance, vice, poverty, death. Let this be our watchward "Save Our Boys!" Put the boys in school, help them up or they will go down. W. H. COUNCILL.

BATTLING WITH PREJUDICE

—BY—

CHARLES ALEXANDER.

CHAPTER II.

A SCENE ON THE MISSISSIPPI.

Only a few weeks previous to the morning in question Percy had met with a very great misfortune; no greater misfortune could possibly befall a young man of his promising age. His future was dark and gloomy, hardly a single ray of light could be seen in the horizon of it. He had lost his mother and father. Their death was a sad, sad blast to him. The story of their illness is but a short one. An epidemic, such as is common in the South, visited New Orleans, and in its greedy pace over that city, claimed both his mother and his father.

During the short period of their illness, Percy exerted every energy in his effort to restore them to health. He diligently watched over them night and day, doing all that was in his power for their comfort. Every word that fell from his lips was a word of consolation. So anxious was he in his earnest endeavors that he spent all the money his father had saved during his years of activity and industry, to bring about their recovery, but all to no purpose, for they both died within two days of each other, and, as is too often the case in the South, there was nothing left to Percy but the scanty bit of furniture and his fine youthful physique and good health.

Sad and empty was the little house to Percy, for all that was near and dear to him had gone from it forever. In that little home where he first saw the light of day—where he first learned to hope and love—where he first became acquainted in a slight way with what this world calls happiness, every ray of light had gone out. No smiles were there to kiss away the mistakes and failures in his young life when he returned from school. No arms were there to fall about his neck as he entered that door in happy congratulation of his triumphant success. No! all was vacancy and loneliness.

His heart throbbed with pain when he would sit and reflect on his loss. He could not remain in New Orleans. No longer could he view the scenes of his childhood with pleasure.

In his desperation he had learned that roustabouts made a good living, and, while on the levee one day took advantage of an opportunity to engage in the work, giving no thought to the real meaning of good living as seen from a roustabout's point of view. Percy was an innocent young man; he started out in the world with but one inclination, and that was to make an honest living. Actuated by that spirit which essays that honest labor, no matter how menial, has a merit which invests it with dignity and honor, he cared little for what his friends might say of him.

When the realization dawned upon Percy that his occupation was not even passably honorable, he felt dejected and disappointed. While the excitement of steamboat life had taken away the thoughts of sorrow, it added to the sum of his grief. "I have made a mistake" said to himself, as he began to learn the meaning of "good living," as understood by roustabouts. Being exceedingly sensitive, he revolted when he began to realize to what treatment roustabouts were constantly subjected.

On the evening of July 2nd, his third night on the steamer, he witnessed a most brutal tragedy. It was at Natchez, Miss., two hundred seventy-two miles above New Orleans. The boat had just glided into the wharf and made fast, after having made a terrible racket, belching at irregular intervals, emitting sounds not unlike the roarings of wild beasts in some Indian forest while from the massive smoke stacks rolled large, thick clouds of black vapor. The great hill which beautifies the industrious little city of Natchez, reared its proud head many hundred feet above the level of that busy stream—the Mississippi; along the rugged road leading up to the summit of the bluff, was a row of about one hundred lights, and along the bluff could be seen the most attractive illumination.

It is the delight of the citizens of Natchez to stroll down to the bluff in the evening, especially when it is clear and pleasant, and watch the boats steaming up and down the muddy river. When the moon is shining bright, there is not a more inspiring scene in this country than that afforded on the bluff at Natchez.

There lies before the view many of the large cotton plantations of Louisiana. Looking south, one gets a magnificent view of the curve of the river, along the banks of which are a forest of pecan trees and willows. Looking north, one beholds the serpent-like turn of the river, which makes distance difficult to calculate on. The smoke of the steamer can be seen for forty miles up the river, while the steamer itself cannot be seen until it is within five miles of the landing.

The roustabouts had just begun unloading the boat, when the loud, vulgar voice of the mate was heard giving his commands. The following is a sample of his language: "Come 'long there! Come 'long there! you blankity blank niggars! Come 'long!"

It is needless to state that this mate is one of the most depraved, most vulgar and most cruel of men; for all mates are required to possess these essentials before an employment as a mate is a certainty, especially on the Mississippi river.

The old wharf, to which the boat has just been securely tied. looks as though it had been in the service over a hundred years.

On the banks, carriages were grouped together, waiting for passengers, while newsboys were calling out the latest evening publication.

"Come 'long there, niggars! come 'long!" bellowed out the mate again, his thin red face blazing with anger.

In obedience to the above command, the roustabouts assumed what they then termed the "coon-jint" attitude and moved quickly down the stage-plank. It is astonishing how soon a pile of freight will disappear when they start into it.

"Get on there, nigger! get on! what th' matter with you?" This time a blow accompanied his words. It was administered on the back of a tall, lanky, lazy-looking Negro, whose face was all marked by disease and gambling battles where razors were used for other purposes than those for which they were originally invented, who received it with utter indifference, walking off just a trifle faster.

While this drama was being enacted, there lay in a sunny little corner, behind one of the boilers of the boat, a monstriously large Negro, peacefully sleeping. It was a mixture of pathos and humor. There he was lying with his head propped up by a large lump of coal; his under lip, which was two or three sizes too large for him, sagging down in a lazy and loathsome sort of fashion. His tattered soft hat, having fallen from under his head to the deck, looked up with a happy grin at its sleeping owner; his woolly head was shaking with the motion of the boat, while his red eyes were half open. Poor man! he was tired and needed rest. He had become exhausted during the day, and now, while lying there in his warm, uncomfortable attitude behind the boiler, he slept in unconscious peace, forgetting every earthly obligation.

This roustabout was wrapped in sweet slumbers, smiles bursting and spreading over his dusky countenance, indicated that these slumbers were haunted by happy dreams—perhaps dreams of new conquests at the games of cards and dice. He deemed it no harm to steal five minutes to take a half hour's sleep. Whether it was a dream, or a stern reality, that roustabout has never been able to tell, but he felt quite certain that he heard his name called, and so he jumped up, yet in deep sleep, and in wild haste started for the stage plank.

No sooner had he arrived there, however, than the mate was ready to greet him with these words: "Where have you been, nigger? Git 'long there," and as he uttered these last words, he struck the half sleeping Negro a whack which knocked him entirely out of his somnambulistic condition.

The Negro heard quite plainly these unkind words, and felt most keenly the rap which the mate gave him. He straightened himself up and ran for the freight-pile.

The Negro who had just been struck, hurried down the stage plank, and after loading himself with freight, came running back again; the mate, who was not satisfied with striking him once for his unintended conduct, thought he would rap him again. It was this rap which caused the roustabout to step out of the beaten road of roustabout conventionalities. He resolved to take no more ill treatment from the mate, so, acting on this resolve, he stopped and defied the mate to touch him again.

"I'se done took all the punishment I'se gwine ter take f'om you," said the roustabout, as he stood there, rolling his big, red eyes at the brutal and vulgar officer.

"Git 'long there, nigger, git 'long! Don't talk back to me! you big black elephant, I'll knock your head off!"

The toiling Negro started about his work again, every once in a while casting an owl's glance over his broad shoulders at the mate. He undoubtedly expected a vigorous blow at every step he took. It was like walking on tacks to him, when he was compelled to pass the mate, his very frame would tremble with fear and dread; for it is too true that when a Negro working in his peculiar capacity is once caught idling as he had been caught, a good flogging must surely be his deserts.

"Where, ve you been, nigger? What's th' matter wid you, anyway?" Vop, vop, went the stick on the Negro's back.

The poor Negro did not seem in the least surprised, in fact he took it in a matter which indicated that he had fully anticipated the attack; he again turned on the mate, and boldly facing him, said:

"Look 'er har, man, mine wat you 'bout, don't you hit me agin; I aint gwine to take no mo' beatin' off you."

There is nothing that enrages an officer of any kind in the South so much as to have an employee talk back to him, especially if that employee is a Negro; Negroes must not talk back to white men in the South. The mate became exceedingly angry and being unable to govern his passion, he raised his heavy stick to strike the Negro again, but this time the roustabout was all ready for him and turned upon him like a mad man, offering the most vigorous resentment; from his eyes could be seen flashing the flames of bitterest anger; he grasped the stick and made an attempt to throw the mate on the deck of the boat. From a terrible gash in his head, the blood was streaming freely—this gash he received from the mate. "I aint gwine ter let you hit me agin," he said as he succeeded in getting the stick out of the mate's hand. He was fairly weeping with rage.

A motly crowd soon gathered about what was evidently going to be an exciting scene, and patiently waited to see what the development would be. Looked at from the white Southerner's standpoint, it was very wrong in the Negro to talk back to the mate, and very wrong for him to resent his punishment; it was something very unusual in the annals of steamboat life for a roustabout to offer resentment to a mate.

After a struggle which lasted about five minutes, the Negro threw the white man square on his back and savagely battered his red face with his rough black hands; he pounded him unmercifully. The mate, hard pressed, grasped his revolver and attempted to shoot the stubborn, retaliating roustabout, but the latter, with the cunning characteristic only of men accustomed to such rough life, succeeded in seizing his arm just in time, and with a dexterous movement of his hand, turned it in another direction, causing the ball to spend its force in a manner very unsatisfactory to the would-be murderer. The Negro became more and more savage as the struggle progressed; he grabbed his victim by the neck, dragged him down the stage-plank, threw him heavily on the ground and kicked him in the side with his heavy feet.

The mate thus used, became very weak, and like an infant in the hands of this wronged Negro, unwillingly submitted to his punishment. The roustabout, feeling that he had properly finished him, immediately sprang up and making a mad rush through the crowd, succeeded in effecting his escape.

The mate, spurred by his intense shame at being so easily humiliated and beaten, with much effort mustered his remaining strength, and again seizing his revolver, raised himself in the attitude of a defeated gladiator and attempted to fire, but, just at this critical period, his strength failed him. and he fell back helpless to the ground.

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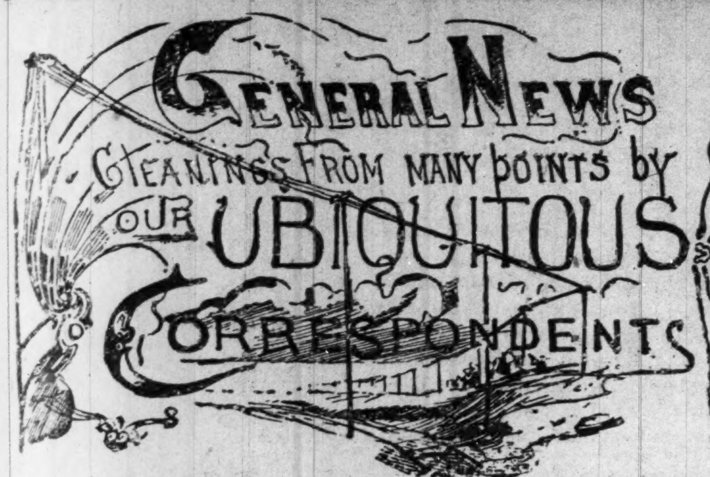
GENERAL NEWS
GLEANINGS FROM MANY POINTS BY OUR UBIQUITOUS CORRESPONDENTS

Personal Mention.

St. Louis, Mo., Special.

The People's Auxilliary Hospital under Dr. Arthur will hold the closing exercises of its training classes soon. Misses Aderlynne Wilson Graves, the talented Boston elocutionist who has been ill for some time at 2605 W. Chestnut st. this week entered the Provident hospital under direction of Dr. W. P. Curtis, her attending physician. She is expected to fully recover her health in a few weeks by the excellent attention given at the hospital. Prof. Kelly Miller. department of mathematics, Howard University, D. C., paid St. Louis a visit last week. Prof. G. N. Grisham, of Kansas City, Mo., was a distinguished city visitor recently. The Freeman is making success in St. Louis, and is becoming the demand of the hour. Remember it is always on sale each week by W. C. Henderson, room 5, 1402 Chestnut st. News for the Freeman will be received at this number weekly, previous to Saturday night of each week. Rates for ads on application. Paper delivered by carrier to any part of the city. Drop postal for The Freeman. Miss Anna Mason of 2648 Short Market has after a few weeks visit to Chicago, returned home. Mrs. James Mason contemplates spending the summer out of the city. The people of St. Paul's A. M. E. church expect to excell all previous records of success for day picnics and barbecues at Hoelin's grove Monday, July, 3. Prof. O. M. Wood's lecture at Epworth League literary recently was highly appreciated by a packed house. Proof. Wood handled his pet subject, "The Negro," and did justice to his prospectus laid down in the begining. An organization of colored business men is shaping itself for practical demonstrations concerning what the St. Louis Negroes may and will do in commercial fields. It is composed of such men as H. H. Jones, Mr. Banks of the Banks & Tidwell Undertaking Co., and many other pushing, race loving men. They expect their charter from the state soon, then we will say more about it.

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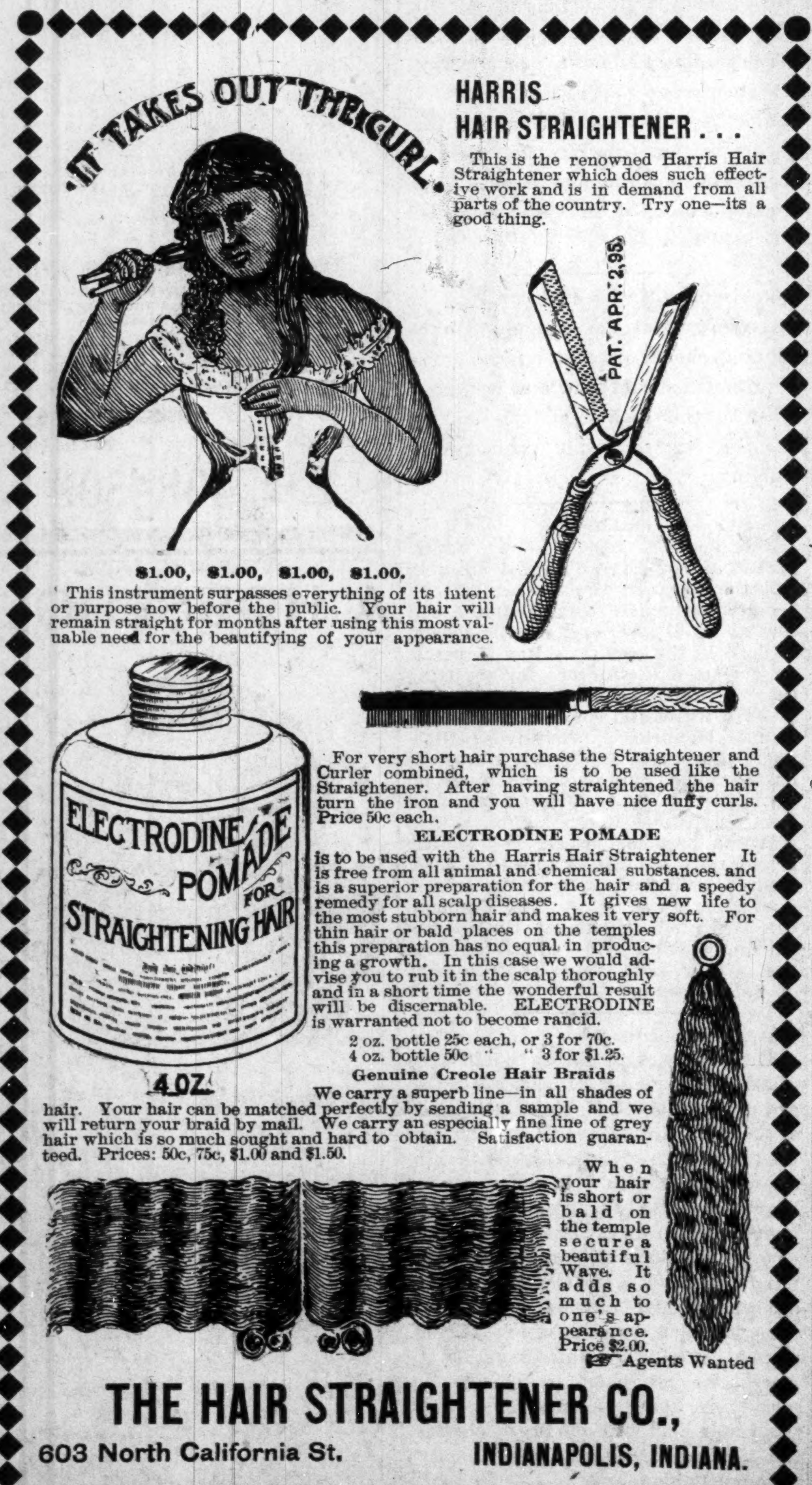
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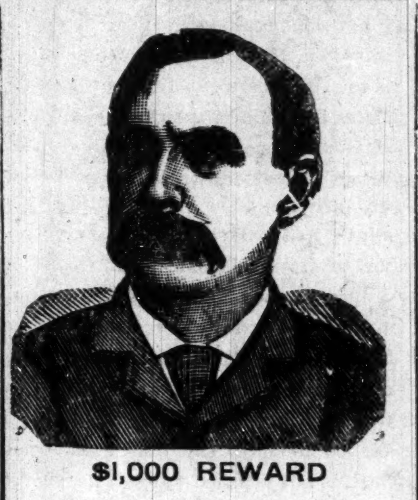

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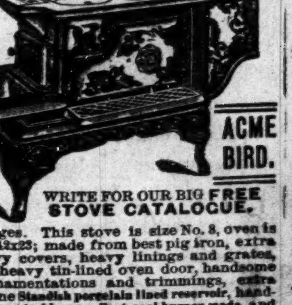

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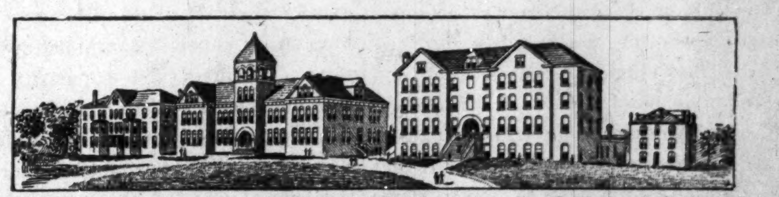

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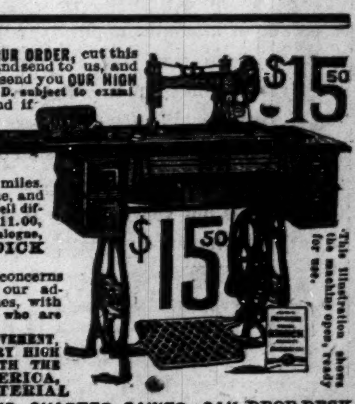

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COLORED MEN IN BUSINESS.

There is no reason why the colored men of this city should not pool their money and establish business enterprises. It would be the means of the employment of the product of the schools thereby creating greater educational incentives and at the same time help promote a more wholesome moral atmosphere. The success of Reed & Robinson, two very young business men of this city is worthy of note. They are doing what the older ones should be doing; giving employment to the young colored men and women. H. L. Sanders is perhaps the pioneer in this direction. He has given employment to quite a number of people since he has been in business. There are many more establishments that are not strictly mercantile that are giving much needed employment to the race. But what is needed is strictly mercantile institutions, institutions that can bring standing to the people as well as employment to the many. It is useless to wait longer, casting around, looking for the whites to take up the burden. The Negroes themselves must take up their own burden. It is customary to charge the condition of the race wholly up to the whites. The ward idea, a kind of legacy the bequeathment from former days, yet when the matter is sifted down the "open door', is open in spite of convictions to the contrary.

It can not be seen why the race is standing around waiting. Blaze a way. The Chinese in America ask no questions nor do they desire to be interrogated. They simply set up a shop and the public does the rest. If it is contended that colored people will not patronize colored people in business and if that contention is true, then so much worse for the colored people. If they themselves are sitting on the wheel, they will have to be broken on the wheel. The time is ripe. It is now or never. Another decade of menialism, purely will dictate a caste class for the unknown years yet to come. A race that can not win the confidence of its members is in a poor way to make an impression on the other race that is a witness to the fact. The race has but very little to complain of until it exhausts completely its own resources. Establish business enterprises. Carve out an empire.

Booker T. Washington has written a very interesting letter to the Atlanta Age wherein is a very excellent though brief description of Holland is given. He thinks that in some respects the rural life of the Hollanders is to be compared with the Negroes in America. He insists however, that the Negro farmer has much to learn from the Dutch in the way of utilizing space. The Negro farmer feels that he must have forty or fifty acres more or less cultivated where as Mr. Washington insists that far less soil is necessary as the Hollanders show. He says that they make as much out of the wind as others do out of the soil. The butter and cheese of Holland is highly prized throughout Europe. To see the Holstein cows feeding on a thousand hills, Mr. Woshington says, is a sight that alone is worthy of the trip. It is safe to say that he will come back with enlarged ideas, gained from those practical Dutchmen.

CORNER STONE LAYING.

At the laying of the corner-stone of the Columbia club of this city last week John L. Griffith said:

> "All great movements are children of the imagination. The cold, prosaic, matter-of-fact man may counsel wisely, but he never creates. The dreamers are the most substantial people that we have and under the glow of their inspiration the noblest things have been wrought. 'Dreams are half deeds and this solid earth is built on vision.' Men have been dreaming through the centuries of a time when wars and rumors of wars should cease and universal place brood over all of the nations."

No man has spoken better than that. "Dreams are half deeds and this solid earth is built on visions." As highly poetical as that expression is it may be fairly reduced to the expression, that determination is half of the battle.

This does not apply to the dreams that brought about that superb creation of stone and iron, or the grander spiritual aggregation, the Greater Columbia Club, only; but it has been the propelling force behind all movements worthy of the name no matter whether of little or great import.

It is to be doubted whether any venture new to mankind or new to the individual has been embarked, unless it was the child of speculation and debate—conceived in mist and doubt, brought forth, and reared on an unquavering faith until the world was perforce a witness, owing to the actual actuality.

It is true enough, the cold prosaic world has but little in common with the day dreamers or star-gazers, so-called; yet to these this very same world is indebted for its march in civilization. Great discoveries, great mechanical laws, a Newton, a Fulton, a Whitney, a Galileo, a Morse, a Field and an Edison have been given to a world that protested sternly all the while.

The greater the conception the greater the battle against the realization. Jesus Christ, Himself, perhaps, is the best type of that large faith that sometime dwelleth, and striveth in mankind that knows but one mission and knows it to its completion, or dies on its altar, sans regrets.

The Voice of Missions is responsible for the statement that there is a fierce contention between Drs. J. M. Henderson of New York, A. L. Gaines of Virginia and R. C. Ransom of Chicago for the editorial chair of the Christian Recorder. It seems that outside of the bishopricsy that to be editor of the Christian Recorder is the biggest thing in the A. M. E. church. We do not desire to prejudice or jeopardize the interest of the gentlemen named by calling special attention to the fitness of either of them. It strikes us, however, that the average peruser of the columns of Negro papers would not hesitate long in choosing the fittest individual as it would strike them, when considered purely from a newspaper or journalistic standpoint. Goodness and popularity perhaps are essential to all church posts or to any positions, perhaps; but fitness is a qualification that cannot be ignored in the special line of the very exacting newpaper work. We hope the churchmen will not allow passion to stand in the way of selecting its fittest instrument, for perpetuating that grand old sheet, The Christian Recorder.

There has been a call for a state convention of representative colored men to meet in this city the 24th and 25th of July, to discuss matters pertaining to the race. The call has been signed by prominent men from different parts of the state and from this city. Considerable interest is being manifested as to the real object and as to the probable outcome.

It cannot be seen just what good the white papers of the North may do in bringing about a better feeling between the races if the Negroes themselves embark in the lynching business.

The appointment of teachers in the Indianapolis schools for next year seems to be generally satisfactory. A few changes only were made.

A DIFFERENT CLASS OF MUSIC.

The colored people of this city need a few good talks on the fitness of things generally. At this time there is a crying necessity for a reformation on many lines and especially on the line of music.

For some reason the idea obtains at this time that the whole of musical life is the suggestive rag time productions. There is nothing to be urged against this class of music in its time and place. "Rags" those semi-barbaric productions where the minor tones are dominant, appeal to the feelings very strongly—a sort of musical intoxication, which if indulged in too excessively will produce a musical delirium tremens. It is not too much to say that this latter condition now prevails and there is no telling when sobriety will again reign. It is not too much to say that even society itself is not satisfied unless this enervating idea of musical dissipation is resorted to when music is the theme. The performer in these days that can not knock off a "rag" or so is in no sense acceptable and in fact this ability has become the criterion of musical ability altogether. This class of music of course is the most acceptable dance music owing to its incessant appeal to the passionate side which lends zeal and zest to the dance, the things desired, perhaps, but when it comes to music for music's sake. this form should be eschewed. The colored people are not following the musical lines laid down by the better class of white musical organizations as they did a half dozen years ago. It is a lamentable fact that the associations for the presentation of the better class. of music are not encouraged. Financial failure awaits the individual that has the temerity to hew to the musical lines as they should be. It must not be presumed that there are no witnesses to this departure. There is a cloud of witnesses and furthermore their convictions will contribute something when it comes to taking the census of the status of the race. Let the race have its old time singing societies choral unions and permanent chorouses thereby helping to maintain racial youth, freshness and vigor rather than effeteism and bizareism.

Mahlon Matlick a seventy years old Negro of Philadelphia, Pa., lost his life the other day in trying to save the life of a little boy who fell into a hole of water twenty-five feet deep. The old man had been a good swimmer in his day and he relied on his knowledge of that fact in trying to save the boy. It is thought that he was seized with cramps which prevented him from reappearing when he made a dive for the boy. A white policeman threw off his clothes and in a very short while the aged Negro was landed from his watery grave. The Philadelphia Record speaking editorially of the matter says:

> "In this city, on Saturday, Mahlon Matlick made it clear that there is such a thing as "The Black Man's Burden, which in his case meant: "Take up your duty and try to do it." A good big block of stone ought to be chipped from the old quarry were he lost his life and inscriced "Mahlon Matlick, Hero."

It is evident that here is a little touch of nature that makes the whole world akin. "Not a sparrow falleth, etc.

There is something due this policeman that made the same effort and who brought up those two dead bodies from that cess pool. Marble may be due him that lost his life but gold or at least bronze is due the one that risked his life. Cheers for the living tears for the dead.

The literary committee of the Afro-American council over which P. B. S. Pinchback presides has prepared an appeal to be sent to the governors of the states. This appeal reviews the position of the races in the country, and calls upon the persons addressed to use their influence in trying to bring about better relations. The appeal, a somewhat lengthy document was published in its entirety in the Washington Post. The article is dignified and sensible to the highest degree. It is void of that inflammatory, dictatorial strain that too readily permeates most documents emanating from deliberative bodies, so-called, of that order. If this class of literature which all can read, friend or foe, without becoming purblind by passion, fails in its attempt, then there is not much hope to bring about better conditions by the means of literature at all.

The highly fervid order of appeals that have been provocative of similar productions from the whites is not in order and never has been. Nor do we mean to say that either way is efficacious but there is more hope for the results from the calm unimpassioned utterances than from utterances otherwise.

The wisdom of sending Negroes to take the place of striking white miners is certainly questionable. It is all right to introduce this form of labor in peaceable times, but not when they are introduced in order that the bosses may triumph in their contentions with their employees. Occupation that comes in this way will be dearly purchased and the Negroes will pay the price as has been witnessed in Pana, Ill. And now in our own state, Evansville, Ind., is repeating the Pana, Ill., incidents. The results are known by this time. Negroes have been shot down like dogs and at this writing are huddled like sheep in shambles awaiting further reprisals on the freedom of their movement. Now again the suggestion is in order as to the appointment of Feberal Labor Commissioners who should have these conditions at heart and whose decisions and actions are intuitive; knowing at once the probable results from given conditions. It can not be seen with what grace interference may be invoked when the situation is so delicate. It is not always a question of absolute right and wrong or else there would be no race problem. It is always a question under the circumstances of proceeding along the lines of the least resistance, maintaining the advantages gained, using these advantages as premises; bases, for future operations. Let these mine owners introduce Negro workmen at all times and not when a controversy arises as to wages or other irregularities incident to the relations between mine owners and the workmen. The laboring world will be very slow to concede anything to a people that succeeds only on the ruin of others.

The Indianapolis Sentinel says;

> "And now Georgia is coming to the front again. One negro is taken from a jail and lynched because he is "said to have attempted an assault' on a woman and another for "trying to shoot a constable." The constable was presumably a woman, and the women of the South must be protected."

Thus it is evident that the North is getting the correct idea of the situation South as between the two races. The idea that Negroes were eternally insulting, assaulting white women, has gone a glimmering. The situation is relieved, at least, to that extent.

If this status of affairs can be maintained, the other conditions may be better coped with. But if it is a reality as it appears that Negroes have begun to lynch Negroes and for the same alleged offense there is no hope but for the whites to re-allege the first contention.

The Sentinel's efforts to clarify the racial atmosphere is appreciated, but yet it can not be seen what influence may follow its position if the race itself is swung out from its mooring and become inextricably entangled in the attempt at race assassination.

The opinion is well nigh universal in this country that the struggle with the Filipinos should come to an end. The government should send men enough to crush out the rebellion at once and not run the risk of losing confidence by dallying.

Local News.

Roanoke, Va., Special.—Rev. Jones, pastor of the First Baptist Church, and the members are having an edifice erected which when complete will cost about $16,000, and will be second to none in the country. Rev. Jones is an enthusiastic worker for uplifting the race, and is held in high esteem by both white and colored. * * Mrs. Fannie Hendrick is visiting at Richmond this week. * * Dr. Burrell is having some improvements made on his residence. * * Misses Lizzie and Rose English, of Rocky Mount, visited relatives here last week. * * The grand rally of St. Paul's A. M. E. Church, will take place the second Sunday in June. * * The Freeman can be found on sale at United Aid Insurance office, 410 Gainsboro avenue; also at J. C. Tole's confectionery on Salem avenue.

G. M. Noble.

The subject of my sketch should stimulate every young man who reads this article.—Mr. G. M. Noble, matriculated at the State Normal school in this city the fall of 1892. He brought with him a few dollars with which to pay his board bills. He came here as a green gaughy boy, from the swamps of Clark county, Ala. But the boy had it in his mind to make it to the top where is pure atmosphere. He entered a very low class, having 9 years in which to complete his course. At this stage of his march, he ran short of money—the school term being 9 months of—course, this young man with the fire of civilization burning in his soul, had 81 months to complete his course.

Mark the progress. Mr. Noble being in school only 44 months, during which time, he worked and made every cent of money he spent for books and bills; graduated the 31st inst., as valedictorian of a class of ten students, who are said to be the best that ever left the institution.

By his zealous efforts, will-power and industrial habits, he caught the class which was two years ahead of him—few young men could have done as much anywhere. During the same time, Mr. Noble learned the printer's trade and successfully conducted this department of the institution the summer of 1898. He is now prepared to teach printing or print, he understands the technics of either.

This young man is 24 years of age, weighs about 170 pounds. He is one of the best scholars in intellect and is the best in general conduct that ever worked on the campus grounds. Notwithstanding his progress he worked on the farm until he was 17 years of age. Think about it in seven years' time, graduating at the head of a class with this scychological subject "Ascendency of Mind" better things are in store for such men; a brighter day for him in no distance future—he will get there. While in school he was idolized by the faculty and students as a model young man. Prof. W. B. Patterson, the president, says he is the best boy on earth. Mr. Noble is stepping up in the scale of intellectual development he "moving on—" he is studious, and constantly grapling with the scychological and philosophical propositions. He is destined to become a philosopher. The world will do well to keep it's eye on George Moses Noble.

Young men having a purpose in view, is the kind of "stuff" the world is looking for, as we march up in life. I bespeak for him a bright future.

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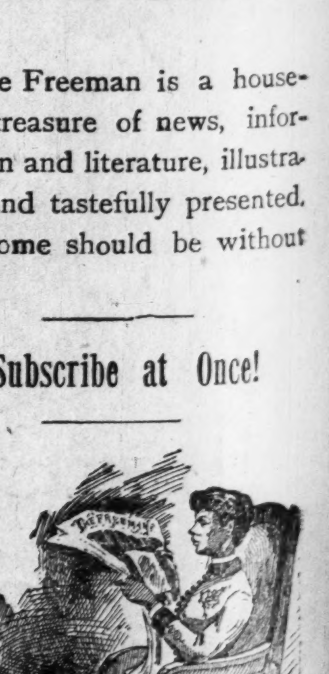

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The Sisters Brown are now filling their third week at the Morning Glory, Buffalo, N. Y.

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Miss Jessie Proctor closed with the Stowe "Uncle Tom's Cabin" company at Rock Island, Ill., and went to Peoria.

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Miss Laura Logan, of St. Louis, Mo., closed with Stowe's "Uncle Tom Cabin" company on the 6th, and returned home.

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Bob Tasker, stage director at the Morning Glory Theatre, Buffalo, N. Y., is making a hit singing "Everybody Have a Good Time," and they do for they all join in the chorus.

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John Rucker, the "Alabama Blossom" who will be seen this season with the Richards, Pringles, Rusco and Holland's Big Minstrel Festival, is spending his summer vacation at Indianapolis.

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According to reports from Major Ben F. Payne, there are a number of curiosity and "junk" seekers in the Stowe "Uncle Tom's Cabin" company, and there's going to be a hot old time in the B. O. of C. P., lodge room—the first opportunity enroute.

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The Oak Leaf Cycle Club, of Buffalo, N. Y., took a trip around the city June 16, after the trip the members were entertained by the Vice President, Mrs. McElwaine, at her residence. The Blackstone Quartette furnished the musical program of the evening.

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Bessie Taylor has been engaged to entertain the guest at the Elm Social Club of Buffalo, N. Y., during the summer season. The way she renders "coon" songs has made her Buffalos' favorite. Messrs. H. McElwaine, O. Kelly, Chas. Harbard, A. Phillips, and Mat Green are the principal officers of the above named club.

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The famous Blackstone Quartette closed a successful weeks' engagement at Sheas', Buffalo, N. Y. They are booked as follows: Detroit, Mich., week of June 19; Pittsburg, Pa., week June 26; St. Louis, Mo., week of July 2; Kansas City, Mo., week of July 9; Omaha, Neb., week of July 16, this will close their summer tour. They will open later at West Baten. While touring the above route their permanent address will be 2700 State street, Chicago, Ill.

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Notes from Mahara's Minstrels—"We have at last struck real summer weather, and during our engagement at the Electric Park, Oshkosh, Wis., the pavillion was crowded nightly. The verdict is, that it is the best show ever seen here. W. N. P. Spiller, vocalist, is a new arrival with the show. W. A. Mahara, sole proprietor and manager, who has been in Chicago for several weeks, rejoined the company in Oshkosh, and announced himself well pleased with the show in every respect. The Watts—Al and Cecil, are doing a new sketch written by Mrs. Cecil Smith Watts, that is a big hit nightly; they being forced to respond to three and four encores nightly. Garland and Bland, sketch artists, are hiting 'em hard with their great act. The Ponce De Leon Four are meeting with great success in their rendition of classic songs. The members are: Jas. Johnson. Simon Epps Richard Lewis and Wm. Garland."

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Notes from the Log Cabin Concert Co: Mr. Humphrey Eubanks closed his engagement as advance agent and returned to Kirksville where he was married on the 8th. to Miss Laura Howell of Palmyra, Mo. Mr. Samuel A. Smith was at once telegraphed at SanFrancisco Cal. and is doing good work ahead of the company. He knows his business as an agent—nothing but good houses. Mr. Surrel Lynn has just joined the company and has some new songs as he is direct from Brooklyn and New York where he has been filling dates. He is a fine tenor soloist and also and equipped vocal director. He makes the company much stronger in the vocal line. All are well and send regards to friends and say we cannot do well without the old reliable Freeman visits us on time. Look out Fiddler and Washington.

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Notes from Stowe's "Uncle Tom's Cabin" company:—"After two weeks through Illinois, we took quarters on our specially chartered steamer at Rock Island, Ill., for a daily cruise up the old Mississippi as far as St. Paul, and already we have gone one-third the distance, touching at principal towns and cities along the route. Prof. William Young and Prof. Wm. Flanner of the white and colored bands have taken the advantage of the opportunity and are rehearsiug some new music, sent them from New York and Chicago. Our band concerts daily are the talk of the town, wherever we go. Al E. Holman, Major Ben F. Payne and "Dad" Watts secured a boat one day last week and took on a heavy cargo of refreshments requisite in the capture of the finny tribe, and started out to make a big catch, but returned after a few hours at sea minus fish and cargo, but instead was towing what we thought to be a small sized whale, but on closer examination found it was "Dad" Watts who had fallen overboard and could not be embarked again at sea, owing to his tremendous averdupoise. It was the same old tale "A fisherman's luck, etc.,' Jasper Reed, the cyclone buck and wing dancer is hitting 'em hard nightly. Little Mamie Murray (Eva) returned to New York, her home, from Rock Island last week, and was superceeded by little Janie Ward Lester, only three and a half years old. Little Janie made her debut upon stage at Alexis, Ill., and bids fair to be the most picturesque and smartest Eva on the road, being already up in her lines in every paiticular.

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Herbert LaShe writes from Des Moines, Ia., as follows: I open at Highbridge the 18th of June for six weeks with my company. Highbridge is one of Iowa's popular resorts and the bridge is 126 feet above the ground and all steel. After my engagement I'll join Richards & Pringle's, Rusco & Holland's big minstrel festival to do my wire act. This is the job I accepted above ten offers. I have improved my act; I jump rope on the wire while in an 8-foot swing. At last I have accomplished my new 3-cornered break-away ladder. I was engaged for special feature for Y. M. C. A. field day on the Fourth of July, Mr. Tom Jefferson arrived in the city from the Nashville Students; he has a few offers for next season. Mr. Jefferson is a very clever little comedian. M. D. and Ida Webster will be here the 15th of June to fill engagements at Highbridge. James Tracy Young, the song writer of Minneapolis is in the city. He has several songs written, entitled: "My love ones, Grace and Mae," "Never turn your back upon a child," "My boyhood days down in Tennessee," "How soon we are forgotten." and several more. LaShe sends regards to Gil Garay, Lawrence Chenault, George Bailey, Housley Brothers and Blutch and A. L. Prince. The young rising wire king—Shakespoke—It is strange but yet it is so, how a bum performer like me get with the big shows. Ha! ha!! ha!!!

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Melroy, Chandler & Co.'s minstrels will open at Bellville, Ill., at the Anheuser Busch Garden, Aug., 6. We carry a band of 20 pieces under the leadership of Pro. Geo. W. Renfro and an orchestra of 12 under the direction of Prof. Chas. E. Cross. Our company numbers 30. Gordon C. Collins and wife; Perkins and Chapman, Major B. F. Payne, Jessie Ford, the Alexander family and E. S. Smilley are all head liners. The company is booked to open houses all the way South and will open most of the houses in Texas. We will be in Hot Springs, Ark., 4 days during the third annual re-union and convention of the colored race. This affair has become a National one and is especially popular with the Southern states. 15,000 to 20,000 people are expected to attend. Melroy and Chandler & Co.'s superb band leads the flower parade and at night will render a performance at Whittington Park in which a stage will be erected for our special use. We are there the 22-25th of Aug. Shreveport, La., Aug., 27 Ft. Worth, Texas, Sept,, 4; San Antonia 5; New Orleans, week of Oct. 29; Gal veston, Nov., 8; Houston 9. Our elegant car is nearly ready for occupancy. Our trick mule, "Huckleberry" will be one of our many new and novel originalities. He is small, very small but they don't come to big for him. He has never been nor never will be rode. The National Printing Co., furnishes our paper and a good amount has been laid in. C. L. Johnson, Leavenworth, Kan., formerly advance for Barlow Bros. minstrels will be ahead of the company this season. Elegant costumes have been arranged for.

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The second annual benefit performances of McClain Lodge No. 1, B. O. of C. P., Indianapolis, occurred in the Park Theatre, Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings, with a Saturday matinee, last week; and judging from the favorable comments of the daily press they presented a three-hour performance in a finished style that would have been a credit to any of our leading traveling organizations. They opened with a thirty-minute act written by Harry Fidler entitled "A Darktown Picnic" depicting scenes and many funny happenings usually seen at a free-for-all picnic. The leading roles were taken by John Rucker, Arna Stevenson, John Tolliver and Harry Fidler who never failed to keep the audience in an uproar. During the action of this big act the following new songs were sung: "My Queen Irene" by the company; "All I Want is My Chicken," John Tolliver; "When You Ain't Got Any Money You Needn't Come Around," Mamie Anderson; "All I Want is My Black Back," Sadie Martin; "Don't Want no Jonahs Hanging Around." Arna Stevenson; "I Never Loved No Other Coon But You," Minnie Edison; "Kill it Babe" Mattie Fidler; "Keep Your Hammers Down" John Rucker, and "Little Red School-house," by C. Clifford Lewis, who was assisted by the Buffalo Sextette—Harry Dunnington, William Goodall, Frank Brown, F. Fowler Brown. John Goodall and John Bankett. The second part opened with the "Buffaloes at Home," Elwood C. Knox acting as master of ceremonies. Mme. Alice Crockett-Scott, the accomplished soprano, sang Arditti's waltz song "Love in the Springtime," in a most pleasing manner, and for an encore she sang with F. Fowler Brown, Indianapolis' favorite tenor, the duett "Miserere" from Il Trovatore, which was well received by the audience. The singing of Mme. Blackburn, Frank Brown, Alonzo Gaten, Arna Stevenson and Harry Waters never failed to bring forth rounds of applause. An exhibition cake walk by Dan E. Washington, champion of Missouri, Miss Minnie Edison, the queen of cake walkers and Curtis Harris, Indianapolis' champion was a most agreeable feature of the olio. Harry Fidler in his impersonations and funny sayings was fine as usual. Bailey and Housely, high-class musical artists, were next on the program in their original musical act entitled: "The Professor and Tramp," which met with high approval. John Rucker, the "Alabama Blossom," closed the olio with his incomparable monologue. He kept the large audiences in a continuous uproar from start to finish. The evenings' entertainment closed with a mammoth cake walk arranged by Mr. Washington and led by John Goodall. Much credit is due Harry Fidler for the excellency of the entertainments; he was ably assisted by Arna Stevenson. To Mr. R. Byron Shelton belongs the credit for the fine solo and chorus singing. The daily papers say no better has been heard here this season. The second annual benefit was a big success.

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Continuation of our Australian letter: Prof. Smith sends regards to all of the Buffaloes and says "Stick to-gether boys. We won't always be so far apart and while thousands of miles away my heart is with you.' We are all well, hoping all friends at home are as happy as we are. I will now close until we reach Honolulu.

WEDNESDAY MORNING 7 O'CLOCK

We are just nearing Honolulu and one of the most beautiful sights I have ever witnessed. On the left of us stands Molikin Island, where all people who are affected with leprocy are confined for life. On our right is Ouki Island and many other little islands and peakes which are covered with green grass in some places which makes it look beautiful and still we can see the lava of volcanic eruptions many years ago. We are now about three miles from shore and are now passing a large cocoanut plantation and nearing Diamond Head mountain. We also passed a volcano where the natives have no record of the last eruption. There is nothing but goats and wild hogs that can live on this mountain of lava. We have just passed some caves where the natives years ago buried their dead and while we are in the prettiest weather imaginable we can look up on the mountains and see a big rain storm raging. We have just passed a group of natives in skiffs and a pretty sight it is to see them in their boats battling with the waves. Jim Jones has just came to me and said 'Tell Archie-Greathouse we will soon distribute some of his cards in Honolulu." We have all had lots of fun throwing nickles in the water and watching the natives dive after them, and they never missed one. We will go ashore in a few moments and from the appearance of the town at the warf I believe they are up-to-date. Well we are at breakfast with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Heard and a very sad incident has just occurred. Mr. Heard was compelled to leave his dog Rowdy, but as luck would have it he fell in the hands of the manager of the Steamer and Mr. Heard received $50 for rowdy with the priviledge of getting him back on his return and as we gave a show on board without Rowdy, Mr. Heard says the knowing ones may not worry as he has an act just the same. We are now on our way to visit the palace where all the Kings and Queens ruled until Uncle Sam stepped in. We have just returned from the Palace and the Custom house and if ever there is a pretty place Honolulu is certainly one flower garden and people who were opposed to annexation would change their mind if they could only see this little city of 35,000 population. I must close in order to mail this for out-going steamer.

A REINCARNATED DOG.

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"You can't tell me there is nothing in the theory of reincarnation," remarked a traveling man, "for I know there is. I was down in Florida recently, and in St. Augustine I saw a snob dog—an out and out snob. His name is Towser, and he is just a common yellow dog, lives in the street and belongs to no one.

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"When society functions take place in St. Augustine, there is Towser. Golf matches, afternoon teas, picnics or boating parties, all are attended by him with most conventional regularity. He never greets any ordinary acquaintance when thus socially engaged and has even been known not to eat for several days when a fashionable wedding was on his mind. With the swell dogs of St. Augustine Towser never has any rows, having, no doubt, studied the politic art of being agreeable, but with commoner cuts he is irritable and defensive. That dog has been human in his time, and I'd give a penny to know who he was."—Indianapolis Journal.

Strengthening Weak Eyes.

What is said to be an excellent lotion for strengthening weak eyes is as follows: Four teaspoonfuls of boracic powder and a pint of boiling water. Put the powder in a jug and pour the water over it. Stir until quite dissolved, then put the solution into a bottle and keep well corked until required. When required, add a little boiling water to an eggcupful, with or without the addition of two teaspoonfuls of laurel or elder flower water, and bathe the eyes frequently with this, using a soft rag or fine sponge for the purpose.—New York Tribune.

Insect Notes.

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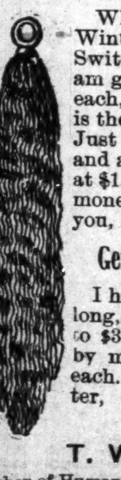

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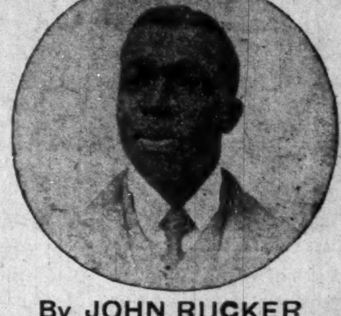

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This, as Brother Taylor says, is a pretty broad platform and if said platform is not at this writing full I would like a front seat.

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Bro. J. F. Taylor, like all the Taylors who are or have been editors sends the "typo" some pretty "warm" copy. He is an editional fighter who strikes out right and left and hits anywhere and everywhere, above and below the belt. "The Broad Ax" has been giving its neighbor, "The Salt Lake Herald," well —99 degrees in the shade on the "race question." We are none perfect and Bro. Taylor has one editional fault, he spells Negro with a small "n."

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"THE GLORY OF WAR."

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(Oh, mother and sweetheart, weep if you may!)
Where he died he was trod and trampled o'er
By the horses of half a hundred more
Who fell in the ranks like himself today

"He fought as men fight for the land they love;
(Oh, mother and sweetheart, weep evermore!)
And the carrion birds that circle above
Shall feed, in the morn, on the man you love;
And poets shall sing of the glory of war."
—Idah Meacham Strobridge.

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The lynching mania has given birth to a new line of agony producers—the unmerciful amateur poet of mercy.—The Colored American.

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A NEW DEPARTMENT TO THE BLUSTER COLUMN.

I have before stated I receive every day scores of letter from all parts of the country (thanks or the "other thing" to The Freeman's wide circulation.) The contents of these letters are as different as the complexions of the senders. Some write for business, some for pleasure, some because they are wise (and wish to join the I. S. D. C.) and some because they are fools (educated or uneducated.) Many persons ask questions of importance, not only to themselves but to all of our readers, beleiving I am a walking dictionary, history and book of facts all of facts (all of which I am not) I have however, the largest collection of books old Negro newspapers and up-to-date magazines, of any Negro in the state of New York and am prepared to answer all proper questions of a statistical, historical or sociological nature. In view of these facts I will hereafter open at the end of my "Bluster," an "Answer to Correspondence," section, but don't ask "fool" questions, or if you do, send two cent stamp for private reply.

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It is one thing to preach and another to practice what you preach. "They say" that a certain distinguished Afro-American Methodist minister of National note, who is a great thinker and a great writer on the race question, having been sent to a Brooklyn church by the Conference, found himself in a stew as his wife did not want to associate with the church folks and moved out of town. "They say" that the said minister and his wife are too "yaller" and stuck up or the church and that the members will ask his recall. The minister is "yaller," that part of the story is true. have never met his wife but I hope the rest of the report is not true as the said Dr. is one of my few Idols (every one of which soon gets smashed.) Still I have a "heap" of circumstantial evidence against the defendant.

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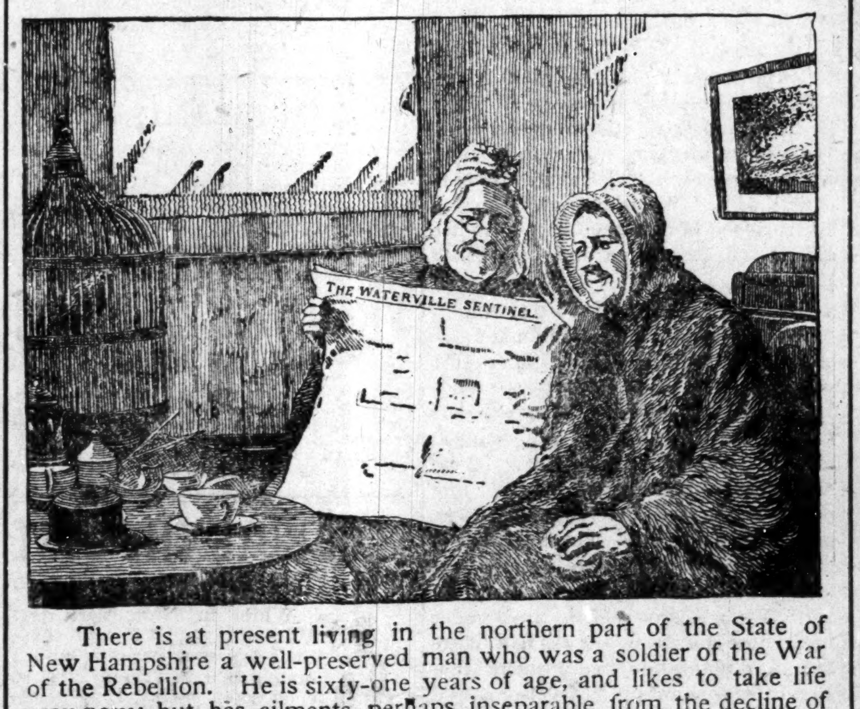

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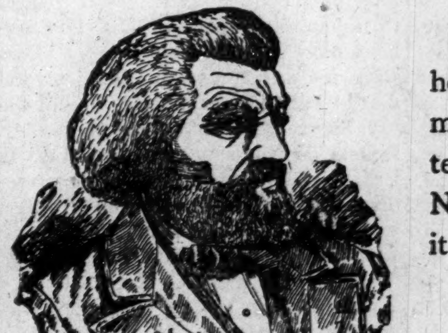

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Thirty five years ago the A. M. E. church banner was hoisted in the Volunteer State." The grand old hero in whose house the standard was first planted still lives and is doing active service in West Tennessee. Rev. Napoleon Merry. A large majority of the fathers have fallen asleep, but there are still some few remaining who remind us of the past. Tennessee has been through all of these years a faithful follower, bowing to the behests of the connection. She has never brought forth a candidate for any position in the gift of the church. Rev. Bedford Green, the old war horse at one time came within quite a few votes of election to the Financial Secretaryship. His election was sure but for the fact that several self-appointed candidates "bobbed up" at the same time and Green was knocked out. Unfortunately for Green the conference was at that time full of new men (transfers) from every "quarter of the globe," some of whom came with the avowed intention ot running things to suit themselves. The young men of the conference were swept off their feet by the bluster and bombast of these new comers (whose stay was only temporary and it was impossible to organize th state and district. Tennessee has never been lacking for men to fill any position in the church. Her trouble has been a lack of organization. This difficulty is traceable to the fact that the most prominent charges in the conference have been filled by transfers, from time to time who had no special interest in Tennessee. At the time of election of delegates, position, either as presiding elder or pastor of a big church has always cut a great figure in Tennessee. That seems to be the rule all over the connection. The mere fact that a man pastors a first class station gives him the preference. For the first time in history of the Conference, Tennessee is solid for one man for the Bishopric. That man is Dr. Evans Tyree, of St. John's, Nashville. Some are wondering why Dr. Tyree is so silent. We answer if he was otherwise we would object. He is not conducting his own campaign. His host of friends will not suffer it. Indeed Tyree is not made that way. If any one doubts Dr. Tyree's popularity let him consult the minutes of the last session ot the Tennessee conference. Dr. J. A. Davis made the speech of his life in support of Tyree's election. Rev. J. W. Frazier, of Kentucky, in a magnificent speech pledged the support of that State for the "Black Giant." The bare mention of Tyree's name during that session was always a signal for applause and great enthusiasm. I am just here reminded, that Dr. J. M. Henderson of New York, recently made the statement that Dr. Tyree bases his candidacy upon the fact that he is black. I will not be so unkind as to charge our New York friend with intentionally publishing a falsehood; and yet I challenge Dr. Henderson to produce even the shadow of proof of such a charge. Let him call names. He does not fear to call names. No, not Henderson. If he can't bring forward the proof then the public will pass judgement upon Bro. Henderson's statement. Dr. Tyree's friends have occasionally referred to his color (jet black) as not being a barrier to his elevation and not as being a recommendation. As to Dr. Tyree, himself, he has never implied or expressed either in public or in private, anything either one way or the other concerning his color in this connection. Again why does our cunning New York correspondent strike at Tyree over the shoulder of Dr. R. R. Downs. More than that Dr. C. S. Smith is fully able to take care of himself in his controversy with Downs. Dr. Smith has never yet had to call in any help to fight his battles.

A few of us down in Tennessee are able to see that Dr. Henderson entered the Down's Smith controversy not for the purpose of defending Dr. Smith but in order to lance Dr. Tyree. "You can't fool all the people all the time." Bless your life, brother! None but Tyreeans will be put on guard when the fall conference assembles. If any other gets through the lines he will have to out lie Annanias. All who pass will give the pass word. Listen, brother, Tennessee has but one candidate for any honor in 1900. If some other fellow has the nerve to come to Tennessee and pick out our candidate for us he will find out in due time that he had better be in other business. Brother Henderson as everybody knows is out of harmony with everything and everybody. He is one of the brightest scholars and ablest writers in the church, yet no one knows where to place him twenty-four hours ahead. He will bless you and curse you in the same breath. He, himself, according to his own published statements was once a christian and a sinner at the same time and kept on preaching just the same. Before the last general conference he was a swift candidate one day and he was not a candidate the next day. Dr. Henderson, may be sparring for a newspaper bout with Dr. Tyree, but he will not get it. Dr. Tyree's record as a christian and a gentleman is too clean to start that sort of dirty business now. We want him to go on the bench with his hands and his garments clear of the blood of all men. It is quite a reflection upon the intellegence of Tennessee for Dr. Henderson to intimate that Tennessee is supporting Tyree because he (Tyree) is black. We have a score of men in the conference just as black or blacker than tyree. Why not select one of them if we are looking for blackness. Dr. Henderson can not plead ignorance as to Dr. Tyree being the choice of Tennessee for we know that Dr. Henderson does read the papers. I venture the assertion that not a man from this State or diocese worth a farthing, has even hinted to him that Dr. Tyree is not the logical candidate from this state. If so, name your man Doctor. You can't argue secrecy. You have no secrets. Then, why fight Tyree? A sketch of the "Black Giants" life, including his educational qualifications together with the history of his ministerial career will appear later. Watch these columns. Dr. C. S. Smith is the candidate of no state conference or section. If he is a candidate for the Bishopric I do not know it. But his works commend him to the everlasting gratitude of the connection. He needs to make no canvass. The church will take care of him, no doubt. He has done too much to be forgotten. Unless his mind is changed since I last talked with him, he does not anticipate election to the Bishopric. If he is a candidate at all he is the candidate of the people. Dr. T. W. Henderson will no doubt go on the bench with Drs. Shaffer, Moore and Tyree or probably Bradwell and Johnson. In that event it is more than likely that Dr. Smith will be put in charge of the book concern at Philadelphia. We believe that no man in the connection can as rapidly and effectually rid the Book concern of its long standing indebtedness as Dr. Smith. He is the business man of the church. You will hear from us again soon.

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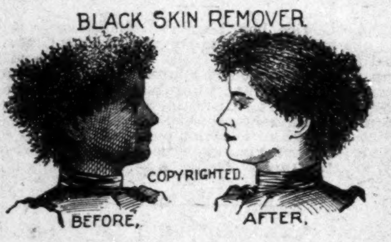

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Wm. O. Hill returned to Toledo, O., Wednesday.

R. A. Roberts, of Shelbyville, was here last week.

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Rev. Gilliam, P. E., has returned from a six weeks tour of his district.

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Mrs. Geo. L. Skinner, of Troy, O., is the guest of Mrs. James Turner.

Hon. G. W. Drake, of Crawfordsville, Ind., was in the city last week.

Prof. W. F. Tiester, of Crawfordsville spent a few days in the city last week.

Round trip only 50 cents to Bethany Park, June, 29 with the "Big 4" churches.

Messrs. George Bailey and Chas. F. Overton left for St. Louis Monday evening.

Soft drinks, ice cream and good service at Clark Burton's, 419 Indiana avenue.

Miss Edith M. Caldwell, of Nashville, Tenn., is in the city, the guest of Mrs. Julius R. Cox, 1107 Nelson street.

The ladies of Bethel A. M. E. church entertained at the parsonage from 4 to 6 p. m., Rev. Mrs. S. R. Brooks and Mrs. Mary Lewis. Mrs. Brooks is a resident of Minneapolis, Minn., and speaks in high praise of our city. To much praise can not be given the ladies for their able management of the affair and Mrs. Brooks and Thomas are now more than sure of their welcome to our city.

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Mr. Chas. H. Moore, prelate Moore Lodge No. 3, B. O. of C. P., New York City, returned home Tuesday morning.

Round Trip only 50 cents to Bethany Park, June 29, with the "Big 4" churches.

Miss Emma B. Woods, who has been living in Chicago for the past two years is visiting her sister.

Rev. George W. Hudson and Miss Lillian Gavin were married in Springfield, O., on the 20th. They will make this city their home.

The most popular excursion of the season is the "Big 4" picnic. This year they go to Bethany Park on Thursday, June, 29.

Mrs. Griffin wife of Mr. Henry Griffin died and was buried Saturday from Simpson Chapel church of which church Mrs. Griffin was a member.

All persons desiring to furnish homes for the Epworth Leaguers should call upon Geo. L. Knox at the Bates barber shop or Rev. Geo. A. Sissle and secure cards.

Mrs. E. E. Cooper, of Washington, D. C., is the guest of Mrs. A. L. Henderson. Mrs. Cooper will no doubt remain some time after which she will visit Chicago friends.

Mr. Fred Anderson, of Toledo, O., spent this week in the city shaking hands with his many friends. Mr. Anderson is en route to New York City, in which place he will reside.

Wm. M. Lewis, teacher at No. 24, entertained about seventy-five children at his home at 1956 Yandes street last Friday afternoon, on school closing day. They represented the 4 A, 513; 5 A and 6 B grades. All were delighted. In the evening older pupils and friends were entertained.

The Knights of Pythias lodges will give their annual outing at Lake Manitou, Sunday, June 25.

The "Big 4" churches, Bethel, Allen Chapel, Jones Tabernacle and Simpson Chapel have arranged another one of their delightful picnic excursions for Thursday; June 29, at Bethany Park.

The excursion of the season will be the one to Lake Manitou, Sunday, June 25, under the auspices of the K. of P lodges.

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Personal Mention.

Cincinnati, O., Special.

Dr. R. E. Wilson of Clinton Chapel A. M. E. Z. church lectured before the Ninth-street Baptist literary on last Monday evening, subject, "Race Barriers, and how to removed them," which was grand and eloquent and a rare treat to who heard it. Mr. Jos. Jenkins, of Chicago, is visiting friends in the city for a fortnight. Mrs. Bessie Payne, of St. Louis, was the guest of Mrs. L. Wharton of 411 John street. The Julia Rice club contemplates given a character party, at the White's hotel W. 5th street in the near future. Mrs. G. W. Viney of 573 W. 6th street, visited her cousin, Mrs. Mrs. Emma Crabtree in Indianapolis last Sunday. One hundred dollars was the result of the roll held at Zion Baptist church last Sunday. Mrs. E. A. Boyd has removed from 1228 W. 9th street to 652 Kenyon Ave, The Western District Sunday School convention will convene with the Madisville Baptist church June 24, 1899, at 3 o'clock E. A. Boyd president. The Zion Baptist literary society held its election June 12th which were as follows: viz; Pres. H. L. Jordan, Vice Pres. H. B. Brooks, Sec. N. Holiday Asst., E. J. Poke Treas., Mrs. John W. White, Critic, H. E. Williams journalist Miss F. Blackburn Sergeant at arms J. E. Brown organist.

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